

Reagan signs bill; October celebration set

GALLAUDET UNIVERSITY

Status upgraded, commission OK'd

President Ronald Reagan early this month signed the Education of the Deaf Act (EDA) of 1986 which, among other things, changes the name of Gallaudet College to Gallaudet University.

In addition to making Gallaudet a University, the EDA (S. 1874) establishes a Commission on Education of the Deaf to "make a study of the quality of infant and early childhood education programs and of elementary, secondary, postsecondary, adult and continuing education furnished to deaf individuals."

The EDA also requires the designation of a liaison in the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS) of the Department of Education to provide information, support and assistance to institutions serving deaf people. Also included is the establishment of the Gallaudet University Federal Endowment Program (see box on page 3).

The EDA, introduced in November 1985 by Sen. Lowell Weicker Jr. (R-Conn.), chair of the Senate Subcommittee on the Handicapped, passed the full Senate by unanimous consent in May.

The bill then went to the House of Representatives, where Rep. Pat Williams (D-Mont.), chair of the House Select Education Subcommittee, offered "an amendment in nature of a substitute to S. 1874, incorporating some of the suggested changes to supplement and strengthen this legislation."

The amendment, which altered several portions of the original bill, was passed in the House on June 26 by unanimous consent. The bill went back to the Senate—with the changes—for a vote on July 17, and then on to President Reagan.

Under Sen. Weicker's original bill, the new Commission on Education of the Deaf would be comprised of 12 members, of whom at least two would be deaf. Rep. Williams' amendment—included in the final bill—stipulated that there be no less than five deaf members of the commission. Gallaudet officials view this as the most significant alteration made during the course of the bill.

Rep. James Jeffords (R-Vt.), during House testimony on the amendment, said, "I would urge this commission to look closely at the record of Gallaudet College and the National Technical Institute of the Deaf (NTID) and their high level of interest in serving a variety of constituencies. Both



The EDA (S. 1874) was introduced in November 1985 by Sen. Lowell Weicker Jr. (R-Conn.), left, chair of the Senate Subcommittee on the Handicapped. In recognition of Sen. Weicker's efforts, President Jerry C. Lee presented him with a special leather-bound Gallaudet edition of "Deaf Heritage."

should provide models that can be used in the development and implementation of other programs for the deaf."

Further, said Jeffords, "The range of services that these institutions provides leads me to suggest that the commission would be wise to tap into the resources available at each. I would urge the commission to call on the many highly skilled professionals at both Gallaudet and NTID as it takes on its assigned oversight duties and responsibilities."

The Senate version of the bill called for the designation of a "project officer" in OSERS. This person, selected "from among individuals who have experience and expertise in the education of the deaf," would, under the original bill, "coordinate" the activities of Gallaudet and NTID, "review and comment on plans and other materials" submitted by the two institutions, and "assist in the preparation of budget requests."

The House amendment changed that portion of the bill to provide instead a "liaison" in OSERS who

will "provide information . . . support and assistance." The amendment stipulates that "nothing in this section may be construed to affect the authority of the Secretary [of Education] . . . with respect to Gallaudet University or the National Technical Institute for the Deaf."

Rep. Williams, in his testimony before the House, said, "In designating an individual, it is not our intent that he or she become involved in the management, policy making process, or governance of Gallaudet University or NTID. The individual is only to be a source within the Department of Education for providing information and coordination of the department's efforts in the area of deafness as they relate to these institutions and provide a communications linkage and technical support role for them."

For many at Gallaudet, and for those involved with the passage of the bill, the confirmation of University status provided deep satisfaction.

Rep. David Bonior (D-Mich.) said in House

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Dr. Edmond Skinski, left, chair of the Department of Administration and Supervision for 11 years, holds a collage of Gallaudet scenes presented to him at a farewell reception in Fowler Hall on Aug. 13. Dr. Frank Duffy, an associate professor in the department, pays tribute to Dr. Skinski, who is joining the Department of Education at Salem (Mass.) State College.

Physics Dept. to offer two AA degree programs in engineering tech this fall

Gerald Daly, associate professor and chair of the Physics Department, has announced the inauguration this fall of two associate of arts (AA) programs—Electronic Engineering Technology (EET) and Computer Engineering Technology (CET).

Designed by David Snyder, assistant professor of physics, the programs offer training for careers requiring electronic/computer skills.

According to Dr. Snyder, qualified electronic/computer technicians can expect to find many high-paying career opportunities in areas such as research and development, sales and service, manufacturing and communications.

Electronics technicians develop, manufacture and service electronic and electrical equipment such as radios, televisions, computers and radar, sonar and navigational devices.

Computer technicians service

machines or systems to keep them operating efficiently.

Students who successfully complete the AA degree programs would have the option of continuing for two more years for a bachelor of science degree in one of the technology fields, Daly explained.

"The programs are rigorous and aim to produce high quality graduates," said Daly. "In order to ensure program quality and enhance employability of the graduates, the programs are designed with a view to eventual accreditation by the Accrediting Board for Engineering and Technology."

Newest 'Deaf Mosaic' on aging and deafness

The newest production in the nationally syndicated "Deaf Mosaic" TV series focuses on aging and deafness.

"Deaf Mosaic" #206 includes a special segment on Columbus Colony, a unique residential program in Ohio for older deaf people.

The Indianapolis-based Senior Center is also featured along with several personal profiles.

Host Gil Eastman is joined by the National Academy's Al Sonnenstrahl, an expert on aging and deafness.

Corrections

The July 28 OTG story on the new AAS degree in office systems offered this fall at the School of Preparatory Studies implied that credits earned in the AAS degree program may under some circumstances be transferrable to a baccalaureate degree program. Such credits are not transferrable.

An article in the current, summer issue of *Gallaudet Today* incorrectly refers to Provost Catherine Ingold getting married in 1981. Dr. Ingold's marriage took place in 1971. The editors deeply regret the error.

Beginning faculty gain signing skills, insight, confidence in NFO program

At the conclusion of the New Faculty Orientation (NFO) program last week, the faculty participants were prepared to begin teaching hearing impaired students, said Will Madsen, associate professor of sign communication and NFO coordinator.

"It is not expected that newcomers to Gallaudet will be fluent signers at the end of the program, but it's been our experience that most of them gain adequate skills to begin classroom work," said Madsen.

Following a one-week off-campus "silent retreat" in mid-June, new faculty and professional staff began seven weeks of intensive training in sign language, Mondays through Fridays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. During this time they were expected to master 20 to 30 new signs per day plus the basic concepts and structure of American Sign Language.

Practice sessions included games, drills, dialogues, role playing, tutoring and videotaping sessions that reinforced classroom instruction.

"The 'silent retreat,' held at the Claggett Center in Buckeystown, Md. during the initial week, is the foundation NFO is built on," said Madsen. "It's the key to everything that follows. The experience prepares them cognitively and emotionally to begin the intensive sign language training."

The retreat program, led by a team of sign language instructors and a counselor, is designed to guide participants through their transition from a primarily auditory orientation to a visual one, Madsen said. "The emphasis during this time is on visual/gestural aspects of sign communication which are prerequisites to mastering sign communication."

Another goal of retreat week is to develop a cohesive support group among new faculty through shared experiences. "When their ordinary means of communication are restricted, they naturally experience periods of frustration and failure," Madsen said. Team activities and some opportunities for

verbal discussion are offered to help them cope with their feelings, and "the hearing counselor is provided for those who need to talk about what they are experiencing in their altered environment—or just want to scream," he added with a smile.

Members of the retreat staff this year were Madsen; Pat Richey, NFO instructor; Agnes Sutcliffe and Brenda Mitchiner, sign communication instructors; Eloise Molock, counselor; Katrina Mansell, student assistant and tutor; Ruth Howell and Bobbie Quinn, interpreters; and Lynn Jacobowitz, sign communication instructor.

In addition to NFO, a Special Orientation Week was held July 14 to 18. Offered for the past two years, the extra week provides orientation to campus facilities and support services for all new faculty and professional staff whether or not they are participating in NFO.

Another aspect of NFO is a two-week follow-up course in sign communication for personnel who completed NFO the previous year.

Currently enrolled in the NFO program are Linda Alexander, a cataloger in the library technical services department; Diane Clark, a post-doctoral fellow in the Psychology Department; and Valerie Janesick, chair of the Department of Educational Foundations and Research. Also in the program are Jeanne Mier, Constantina Mitchell and Margaret Redmond, all of the Department of Foreign Languages.

According to Madsen, new faculty members' reactions to the training sessions have been very positive. The NFO activities have been modified many times to make them more relevant to new faculty members' needs.

"The orientation programs are more than just series of lectures," said Madsen. "They are a practical way of providing people who have little or no prior experience in deafness with the necessary confidence and competence for entering their classrooms in September."



Dr. William Varrieur, left, director of the School of Management Project, and Louis Markwith, right, vice president of College Relations, receive a \$3,000 check from Parthenia Stradford of C&P Telephone Co. The money will be used for the new School of Management, scheduled to open in January 1987. The school will establish eight new majors at Gallaudet in areas such as business management, public administration and entrepreneurial studies.

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Matching grant program established under EDA

The Education of the Deaf Act (EDA) establishes a \$1 million matching grant program designed to "promote the financial independence of Gallaudet University."

The Gallaudet University Federal Endowment Program provides one dollar of matching federal funds—through the Department of Education—for every dollar raised in the Department of Education—up to \$1 million per year for five years.

The endowment monies may be invested in a variety of insured, interest-bearing accounts; money market funds; or other low-risk instruments and securities. Provisions for the endowment exclude investment in real estate.

The University may withdraw or expend no more than 50 percent of the total accumulated endowment fund interest annually, and it may not draw on the fund's principle until the year 2007.

The EDA also established a similar endowment fund for the National Technical Institute for the Deaf. The endowment funds are modeled directly on a program set up in 1984 for Howard University.

Lou Markwith, vice president for College Relations, said, "The endowment challenge provides a rare opportunity for Gallaudet and its supporters. The efforts of our alumni and friends in achieving this goal will be critical. Working together, we can develop a larger financial base which will help to ensure Gallaudet's bright future and its ever-expanding service to hearing impaired people."

Name, status changes don't happen that often

The Oct. 24 official change from Gallaudet College to Gallaudet University will represent the third name change and the third status change in the institution's 122-year history.

When the College was chartered in 1864, it was known as the collegiate division of the Columbia Institution. One year later the collegiate division was officially named the National Deaf-Mute College, representing a change in both name and status.

At the request of alumni, the NDMC was renamed Gallaudet College in 1894 in honor of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet. The College continued as a part of the Columbia Institution until 1954, when Congress dropped the CI name and made Gallaudet College the official name of the Kendall Green campus.

In a few short weeks, the next—and perhaps final—name change will take place.

University Week slated to celebrate new status

Gallaudet University Week will be held Oct. 19 to 25 to "honor the past, celebrate the present and anticipate the future."

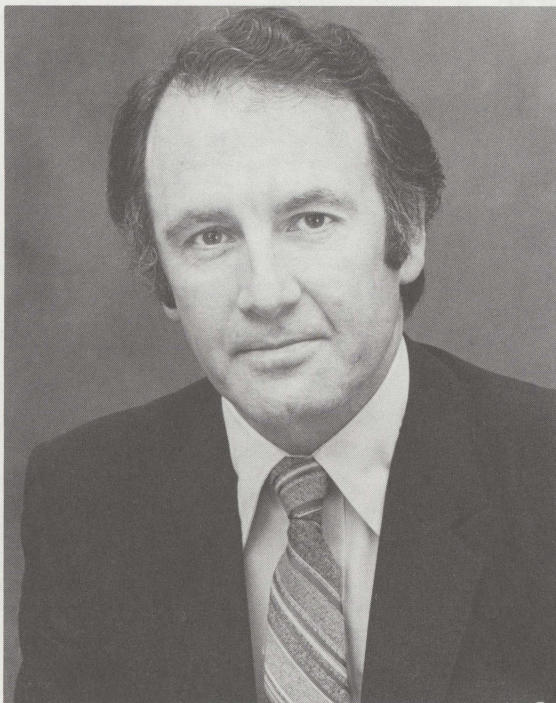
The week-long observance will begin when several Gallaudet students sign the national anthem at RFK Stadium before the Redskins play the St. Louis Cardinals on Oct. 19.

The week's activities will include a luncheon marking the publication of the "Gallaudet Encyclopedia of Deaf People and Deafness;" a seminar by photographer Annie Leibowitz; a group sculpture organized by Texas sculptor/painter Danville Chadbourne; and an all-week film festival.

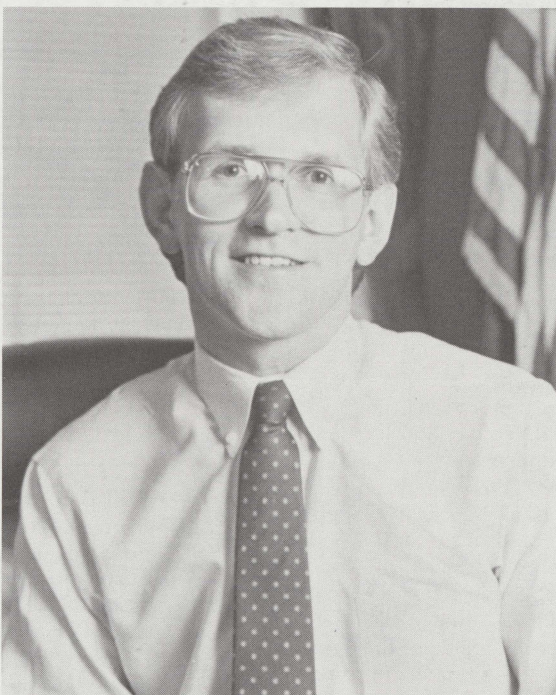
There will be an informal campus-wide festival in the afternoon on Oct. 22. Other activities slated for the week are a women's equality conference, soccer and field hockey games, pep rallies and the dedication of the new athletic Hall of Fame.

A convocation on Oct. 24 will feature Dr. John Silber, president of Boston University, as the keynote speaker. The homecoming parade and the game against the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill Club will be held Oct. 25, followed by a University Gala that evening in the ballroom at the Hyatt Regency Hotel on Capitol Hill.

More details on University Week will be reported in an upcoming issue of *On the Green*.



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REP. DAVID BONIOR (D-Mich.): "By any standard of recognition, this unique and historic institution deserves to take its place among the respected universities of the world."

Dr. Lee's inaugural hope now a dream come true

"It is my dream that Gallaudet College will move into its rightful place as a multipurpose university."

Those words of President Jerry C. Lee, spoken at his inauguration nearly two years ago, are now a dream come true. Gallaudet University, with its steadily expanding programs and services, is a reality.

"I am pleased to see my dream realized in such a short time," said Dr. Lee. "This accomplishment reflects the concerted efforts of a supportive Board of Trustees, a very distinguished faculty, a committed staff and a talented student body."

Dr. Lee said that the newly acquired status stands as "a lasting tribute to deaf people everywhere."

Pres. Reagan statement

I have today signed S. 1874, the Education of the Deaf Act. S. 1874 re-establishes Gallaudet College as Gallaudet University and authorizes both the University and the National Technical Institute for the Deaf through fiscal year 1991.

Gallaudet, the National Technical Institute for the Deaf, and their related institutions are important components in the educational service system for the deaf in this country. The contributions of both institutions are well known and are a source of great pride for all of us.

Under the bill, the University is governed by a Board of Trustees composed as follows: One member of the Board is a United States Senator, appointed by the President pro tempore of the Senate; two are members of the House of Representatives, appointed by the Speaker of the House; and 18 are elected by the present Board of Trustees for Gallaudet College. The Board is authorized to govern the University, including hiring its professors and administering the funds appropriated for the school by Congress.

The functions and composition of the Board of Trustees raise questions under the Appointments Clause of the Constitution, Art. II, sec. 2, as well as the Incompatibility Clause, Art. I, sec. 6, cl. 2. However, inasmuch as the history and role of the University are unique, I am signing this measure, notwithstanding the constitutional issues that would be raised outside this unique context.

Status change approved

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testimony, "I am proud—both as a Gallaudet trustee and a member of Congress—to be an original cosponsor of the Education of the Deaf Act of 1986. This important legislation will provide an opportunity for increased visibility and a new vigor in the higher education community on behalf of deaf persons. For Gallaudet, it will mean the granting of university status and clearly, by any standard of recognition, this unique and historic institution deserves to take its place among the respected universities of the world."

Rep. Williams echoed this sentiment during his testimony when he said, "This is not simply a title change, but, rather, a recognition by this Congress of the valuable services that Gallaudet has been providing hearing impaired individuals for more than 100 years."

Rep. Steve Gunderson (R-Wis.), also a Gallaudet trustee, said, "The unique aptitude, potential and talent of hearing impaired individuals is certainly a wonder. Gallaudet continues to enhance and challenge the talents of hearing impaired Americans, opening doors previously closed to them. Gallaudet's success is equally visible through the high percentage of graduate placement and careers of its many alumni." With the passage of the EDA of 1986, said Gunderson, "Gallaudet College can continue, as a university, in its prestigious heritage of improving the quality of life for hearing impaired people and their families and communities."

Members of Congress who were instrumental in passage of the EDA, in addition to Sen. Weicker and Reps. Williams, Jeffords, Bonior and Gunderson, were: Sen. John Kerry (D-Mass.), ranking member of the Subcommittee on the Handicapped, and Rep. Steve Bartlett (R-Texas), ranking member of the Select Education Subcommittee.

Announcements

The campus community is invited to a retirement party on Friday, Sept. 5 for Polly Peikoff, administrative secretary in the Office of Alumni Relations and Advancement. The event will be held in "Ole Jim" from 3 to 5 p.m.

The Gallaudet College Library (Merill Learning Center) will be open as follows beginning Sept. 8: Sundays, 1 p.m.-midnight; Mondays through Thursdays, 8 a.m.-midnight; Fridays, 8 a.m.-10 p.m.; Saturdays, 9 a.m.-10 p.m. Special hours for Thanksgiving recess and December exam study will be posted in the Learning Center. The Learning Center will be closed from Dec. 25 through Jan. 1.

Sponsored R&D

The U.S. Department of Education's Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services announces its proposed FY87 funding priorities for the Projects with Industry program.

The priorities would support applications which propose to (1) provide training and supportive services for handicapped individuals at actual job sites with subsequent employment in the competitive labor market, (2) provide training and employment through formal agreements with businesses, industries and labor unions and (3) provide training and employment to handicapped individuals as they prepare to leave educational settings.

Interested persons are invited to submit comments or suggestions regarding the proposed priorities before Sept. 10 (letters of comment should be received in the OSP by Sept. 8). To request an in-depth copy of the funding priorities, call the OSP at x5401.

SLIGE classes begin Sept. 15

Sign Language Instruction for Gallaudet Employees (SLIGE) will be offered from Sept. 15 to Dec. 11 for Beginning I, II and Intermediate levels.

The schedule is as follows:

Beginning I, Mon./Wed., 9-10:30 a.m. (Sec. I), or 10:30 a.m.-noon (Section II); Beginning II, Mon./Wed., 1-2:30 p.m. (Section I), or Tues./Thurs., 1-2:30 p.m. (Section II); and Intermediate I, Tues./Thurs., 9-10:30 a.m. (Section I), or 10:30 a.m.-noon (Section II).

In order to ensure a space in class, students must complete a registration form, available through the Department of Sign Communication, Kendall Hall, room 201a. Forms must be returned to Lynn Jacobowitz in that department by Sept. 7. Room assignments will be posted in Kendall Hall on Sept. 15.

Staff members who are uncertain of the appropriate level to sign up for should call Jacobowitz, x5200, from Sept. 3 to 7 for a placement interview.

All classes are three hours per week for 12 weeks.



Members of the Physical Plant Department recently erected MSSD's new \$4,000 scoreboard, donated by the Pepsi Co. John Parker (left, front row) of the MSSD Athletic Department, stands with (from left) Danny Smallenbroek, Dennis Naber, Leonard Riek, John Granzen and, second row, William Whalan, Carroll McAbee, Wayne Davis, Gary Grant, Mike Janschek, Bentley Newcomb and Walter Martin.

Among Ourselves

Kitty Fischer, a librarian in the Learning Resource Center of MSSD, was among Gallaudet personnel presenting workshops at the recent 38th biannual convention of the National Association of the Deaf (NAD) in Salt Lake City. Fischer's name was inadvertently omitted from a list provided to *On the Green* for the Aug. 4 issue.

Hortense Auerbach, a 1940 graduate of Gallaudet, was honored with two awards at the NAD convention for her longstanding volunteer service to a number of organizations. Auerbach received the Knights of the Flying Fingers award from the board of the NAD, and the Golden Rose award, given in memory of Fred Schreiber, an NAD pioneer. Auerbach, a former Gallaudet English teacher and director of the Tutorial Center, is the first person to receive two awards at one NAD convention.

Alice Sykora of the Student Union gave a workshop on leadership development to deaf high school students participating in a college orientation program at Penn State University, Scranton, last month. She also presented "Assertive Advocacy for Deaf

Adults" to deaf participants at the annual conference of the Council of Organizations Serving Deaf Alabamians in Montgomery in July.

Jim Paul, who recently graduated with a bachelor of science degree in business administration from Emporia State University in Kansas, began work Aug. 15 as Gallaudet's sports information intern. Paul was sports information assistant at Emporia prior to beginning his semester's work here.

The works of Barbara Lee Petterson, an art instructor and content specialist at MSSD, are on exhibit at Ristorante Carucci in Wilmington, Del. until Sept. 28. The subjects of the oil on canvas paintings, which Petterson signs with her maiden name of Fiock, are children and adults at the beach.

Channel 33

Channel 33, the Gallaudet cable television channel for special events, sports, news, education and entertainment, will air the following programs for the week of Sept. 2 to 5, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

9-9:30	Deaf Mosaic #206
9:30-10	Music Seen #1
10-10:30	Deaf Mosaic #204
10:30-11	Deaf Mosaic #206
11-11:30	Music Seen #2
11:30-12	Deaf Mosaic #205
12-12:30	Deaf Mosaic #206
12:30-1	Deaf Mosaic #204
1-1:30	Deaf Mosaic #206
1:30-2	Deaf Mosaic #205
2-2:30	Larry & Harvey/Success: A Gallaudet Tradition
2:30-3:30	Music Seen #2 & #3
3:30-4:30	Music Seen #4 & #5
4:30-5	Deaf Mosaic #205

Viewers are asked to consult the Cable TV Guide, which is distributed campus-wide each month. Those who do not receive the guide and would like to be on the mailing list should call the Department of TV, Film and Photography, x5121.

Jobs Available

Some of the advertised staff positions may already be filled. For updated information, call the JOB RECORDING in the Personnel Office, x5358 or x5359 (TDD).

SECRETARIAL POSITIONS: Contact Personnel for listing.

ENGLISH TEACHER: MSSD

MANAGER, COMPUTER OPERATIONS: Computer Services

RESEARCH ASSOCIATE: Sensory Communication Research Laboratory

WORD PROCESSOR: Admissions and Recruitment

TEACHER'S AIDE: KDES

MECHANIC: Transportation

RESEARCH TECHNICIAN: GRI/Tech-nology Assessment Program

FIRST CLASS ENGINEER: Physical Plant

MECHANIC III: Physical Plant

CUSTODIAN/FLOOR MAINTENANCE: Physical Plant

TEACHER, BUSINESS EDUCATION: MSSD

TEACHER, UPPER SCHOOL: KDES

INTAKE PROCESSOR: EPOC

CHAIR: Department of Sign Communication

MATHEMATICS TEACHER: MSSD

SPEECH PATHOLOGIST: KDES

BOOKKEEPER/DATA ENTRY CLERK: Development

EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOMETRIST/DIAGNOSTICIAN: MSSD

COORDINATOR, VISITORS CENTER: National Information Center on Deafness

NURSE PRACTITIONER/ASSISTANT NURSING SUPERVISOR: Student Health Services

INTERNAL AUDITOR: Administration and Business

MECHANIC/GROUNDS EQUIPMENT: Physical Plant

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS: MSSD

ASSISTANT TEACHER: Day Care Center

DRIVER: Transportation

BUS MONITOR: Transportation

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS: Public Relations

RESEARCH/EVALUATION SPECIALIST: Center for Curriculum Development, Training and Outreach

RESIDENCE EDUCATION ASSISTANT: MSSD

CAMPUS POLICE OFFICER: Safety and Security

COMMUNICATION SPECIALIST—SPEECH: KDES

TEACHER, SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM: KDES

LIBRARIAN FOR SPECIAL PROGRAMMING: MSSD

DIRECTOR OF EXTENSION AND SUMMER PROGRAMS: College for Continuing Education

NURSE PRACTITIONER: Student Health Services

Classified Ads

FOR SALE: '80 Chevette, green, 4-dr., low mi., AC, radio, new brakes, good cond., \$1,800. Call 986-8730 (V/TDD) eves. or 686-9700 (V) days.

WANTED: 2 mature individuals to share large house in exclusive Lanham area. \$250-300/mo. plus 1/3 util., depending on length of lease/room size. Call Ari, x5250 (V/TDD) days or 459-4543 (TDD) eves.

FOR SALE: '77 Dodge station wagon, runs well, no problems, \$1,200. Call Al, x5095 or 474-3237 (TDD) eves.

FOR SALE: Brown corduroy reclining chair, \$100/BO; table lamp, \$25/BO; greyish beige sofa bed, very good cond., orig. \$500, now \$300/BO; 6-drawer dresser, heavy wood, \$50/BO; Peugeot 10-spd. women's bike, rarely used, \$200/BO; RCA 16-mm movie projector w/speaker, good cond., \$75/BO. Call MAP, x5060 or 6063 (V/TDD) or 772-7015 (TDD).

FOR SALE: 7.5 cu. ft. freezer perf. cond., \$150. Call Mickey, x5255.